

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION  
Washington

NEWLY APPOINTED LUMBER AND TIMBER PRODUCTS INDUSTRY  
COMMITTEE TO MEET JUNE 23

A committee will meet in Washington on June 23 to investigate economic and competitive conditions in the lumber and timber products industry for the purpose of recommending a minimum wage, not in excess of 40 cents an hour, which will not substantially curtail employment in the industry, it was announced today by General Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. in Conference Rooms A and B of the Interdepartmental Auditorium, Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets Northwest, Washington, D. C.

Members of the Committee are:

For the Public:

William Homer Spencer, Chairman, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois  
Leslie H. Buckler, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia  
Clyde E. Dankert, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire  
G. Allan Dash, Jr., University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Royal E. Montgomery, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York  
George E. Osborne, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California  
Arthur F. Raper, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Greensboro, Georgia  
William G. Rice, Jr., University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin

For the Employers:

P. A. Bloomer, Louisiana Long Leaf Lumber Company (Hardwood and softwood lumber, flooring, ceiling, mouldings) Fisher, La.  
C. Arthur Bruce, E. L. Bruce Co. (Hardwood dimension, hardwood lumber, flooring, softwood lumber, interior trim, furniture parts), Memphis, Tenn.  
E. J. Curtis, Curtis Co., Inc. (Stock millwork), Clinton, Iowa  
C. H. Kreienbaum, Simpson Logging Co. (Lumber, shingles), Shelton, Wash.  
William P. Long, Lisbon Co., Inc. (Brush backs, blocks and handles; broom handles, turnings, millwork, dowels, piano backs and sounding boards, other specialties, finished lumber), Lisbon, New Hampshire  
James G. McNary, Southwest Lumber Mills, Inc. (Lumber, railway ties, laths, mouldings, cut stock, box shook, Venetian blind slats, etc.), McNary, Ariz.  
Lee Robinson, Mobile River Saw Mill Co. (Hardwood lumber, flooring, car stock), Mt. Vernon, Alabama  
Jack W. Simmons, Elberta Crate Co. (Boxes and crates from veneer, berry crates, fruit boxes, tomato lugs, bushel and half bushel baskets, hampers and wire bound boxes), Tallahassee, Florida

For the Employees:

Frank P. Fenton and Robert J. Watt, both of the American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C.

Frank Chapman, Seattle, Wash.; M. A. Hutcheson, Indianapolis, Ind.; and A. W. Muir, Indianapolis, Ind., all of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America (A. F. of L.)

James Robb, Congress of Industrial Organizations, Indianapolis, Indiana

Paul R. Christopher, Tennessee State Industrial Council (C.I.O.), Knoxville, Tenn.

Ray Thomason, Virginia State Industrial Union Council (C.I.O.), Richmond, Va.

An industry committee for the wood furniture manufacturing industry, to meet in Washington June 17, has been announced by General Flening. Because of the relationship between this industry and the lumber and timber products industry, the public representatives of the two committees are identical. Also, since wood furniture products are manufactured by hardwood dimension establishments, an employer representative of the hardwood dimension group--C. Arthur Bruce--is serving on both committees.

It is estimated that there are approximately 440,000 employees in the industry, of which about 200,000 are currently receiving at least 30 but less than 40 cents an hour.

Persons whom the Committee or its representative considers substantially interested may appear at the hearing provided that not later than June 17 a notice of intention to appear is filed with Burton E. Oppenheim, Director of the Industry Committee Branch, Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C. This notice must give the name and address of the person appearing, name and address of the person or persons he is representing, if any; a brief summary of the material to be presented, and the approximate length of time required.

The Lumber and Timber Products Industry is defined as:

"Wood saw milling and surfacing; wood reworking, including but without limitation kiln or air drying and the manufacture of planing mill products, dimension stock, boxes, and wood turnings and shapings; and the manufacture of specialized timber products including but without limitation shingles, cooperage stock, veneer, plywood, and veneer packaging; provided, however, that the term does not include cooperage or the manufacture of cigar boxes, cork products, reed and rattan products except vegetable and fruit baskets, or furniture and furniture parts as defined in Administrative Order No. 108 (Appointment of the Wood Furniture Manufacturing Industry Committee).

"The manufacture of any products covered under this definition shall be deemed to begin with the unloading of the raw material at the mill site."

The recommendations for a minimum wage in the industry will cover all occupations necessary to the production of the articles specified in the definition, including clerical, maintenance, shipping and selling occupations; but does not include any employees of an independent wholesaler or employees of a manufacturer who are engaged exclusively in marketing and distributing products of the industry which have been purchased for resale.

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